

**27580—Continued.**

The whole plant has mild purgative properties and the vegetable preparations above described are not much indulged in. (*Kanetkar.*)

*Distribution.*—Plains of the western peninsula of India and from the island of Mauritius eastward to the northern part of Australia.

**27586. VIGNA UNGUICULATA (L.) Walp.****Cowpea.**

From Honolulu, Hawaii. Presented by Mr. F. G. Krauss, agronomist, Hawaii Experiment Station. Received April 20, 1910.

"*Wilcox.* A cowpea which, so far as I have been able to determine, originated in our trials of 1907, either as a mutant or rogue. As it does not resemble any of the half dozen varieties we have been growing in recent years, I do not think it is a hybrid. It is far ahead of anything we have grown in cowpeas. In the fully developed form, before drying, the pods are a beautiful deep crimson." (*Krauss.*)

**27587. CASTANEA sp.****Chestnut.**

From Yokohama, Japan. Purchased from the Yokohama Nursery Co. Received April 11, 1910.

*Korean.*

**27598 and 27599. ZEA MAYS L.****Corn.**

From Mexico. Procured by Mr. Sam E. Magill, American consul, from José Maria M. Sotomayor. Received April 13, 1910.

Seeds of the following:

**27598.** "*Apepitillado*" produced near Ocatlan.

**27599.** "*Apepitillado*" produced near Ocatlan by Vidal Gutierrez.

NOTE.—These packages were broken open and the seed probably mixed.

**27600 to 27602. TRIFOLIUM PRATENSE L.****Red clover.**

From Roikenvik, Norway. Presented by Mr. Lars Hvinden. Received April 13, 1910.

Seeds of the following:

**27600.** *Molstad.*

**27601.** *Toten.*

"These two clovers are late varieties and should not be grown on marshy soil, but they stand the severest cold for three and four years in Norway." (*Hvinden.*)

**27602.** *Hvinden's.* "A red clover which I by chance have discovered.

It has grown on my farm for years and gave the richest crops I ever saw.

It is earlier than *Molstad* and *Toten* clover and can be cut twice in the summer." (*Hvinden.*)

**27603 to 27608. MELILOTUS spp.**

From St. Petersburg, Russia. Presented by Dr. A. Fischer v. Waldheim, director, Royal Botanic Gardens. Received April 4, 1910.

Seed of the following:

**27603.** MELILOTUS DENTATA (Waldst. & Kit.) Pers.

**27604 to 27606.** MELILOTUS INDICA (L.) All.

**27607.** MELILOTUS ITALICA (L.) Lam.

**27608.** MELILOTUS MESSANENSIS (L.) All.